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On instructions from my Government and further to our earlier letters concerning Israel's attacks on southern Lebanon and the Western Bekaa and the arbitrary practices against the civilian inhabitants in which it engages on a daily basis, I have the honour to notify you of the series of such incidents that took place in May 1998.

1 May 1998

At 1220 hours several mortar shells fired by the minion Lahad's forces fell in outlying areas of Majdal Zun.

At 1445 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia directed several bursts of fire at the area around the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah.

At 1600 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired several shells at outlying areas of Majdal Zun and Mansuri.

At 1620 hours two Israeli helicopters flew over outlying areas of Mansuri.

At 1815 hours Israeli forces and their associated militia fired artillery shells at Zibqin from Tall Ya'qub.

At 1950 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks.

At 2230 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells that fell on Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

2 May 1998

At 1500 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal al-Rafi', the town of Mlikh, Mazra'at Uqmata and Qasr Ghandur.

At 1110 and 1445 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

At 1345 and 1415 hours Israeli forces in the occupied area fired artillery shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 1435 hours Israeli forces directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah from their position at Dabshah hill.

At 1510 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr from its positions in Tumat Jazzin and Zimriya.

At 1530 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal al-Rafi' and Jabal Sati from Ksarat al-Urush.

At 1600 and 1700 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at Jabal Safi and Jabal al-Rafi'.

At 1845 hours Israeli forces fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Yatar.

At 1530 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri opened fire with medium weapons in various directions.

At 1820 hours Israeli forces fired artillery shells from their position at Tall Ya'qub that fell in outlying areas of Mansuri and Majdal Zun.

At 1900 and 1435 hours Israeli forces in the occupied strip fired artillery shells towards Iqlim al-Tuffah.

At 2120 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 2200 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Majdal Zun, Jabal Safi and areas along the Litani River.

3 May 1998

Between 0205 and 0630 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired several artillery shells at areas along the Litani River.

At 0500 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri fired bursts in various directions.

At 0900 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 1045 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 1300 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired shells directly at Bra'shit and Shaqra.

At 1435 hours Israeli forces fired a number of shells at Jabal Safi, Luwayzah and Mlikh.

At 1630 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired numerous shells at Shaqra, Kunin, Zibqin, Majdal Zun and Mansuri.

At 2230 and 0030 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Iqlim al-Tuffah and the occupation forces fired shells at Jabal Safi, Mlikh and Wadi Kafra.

4 May 1998

Between 0610 and 0700 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal al-Rafi', Jabal Safi and Habbush bridge.

Between 1005 and 1100 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

Between 1105 and 1420 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 1630 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at Jabal Safi and Jabal Sujud.

At 1700 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah and at the area around Qasr Ghandur.

At 1855 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at Razlan hill.

Between 2005 and 2200 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Nabatiyah, Iqlim al-Tuffah and Sidon.

6 May 1998

Between 0230 and 0730 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at the outskirts of Luwayzah and Mlikh and at Jabal Sujud.

Between 0400 and 0530 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri fired a number of bursts.

At 1500 hours Israeli forces fired several mortar shells at the outskirts of Sujud.

At 1600 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired several artillery shells at Jabal al-Rafi', Jabal Safi and the Sujud hills.

At 1910 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired several artillery shells at areas along the Litani River towards Zawtar al-Sharqiyah.

At 1950 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 2045 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Habbush bridge.

At 2115 hours an Israeli helicopter strafed areas around Qal'at al-Shaqif (Chateau de Beaufort) with medium-weapons fire.

At 2230 hours hostile warplanes overflew the South.

7 May 1998

Between 0000 and 0545 hours the minion Lahad's militia and Israeli forces strafed areas around Qal'at al-Shaqif (Chateau de Beaufort) and areas along the Litani River.

At 0500 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri fired bursts in various directions.

At 0640 hours occupation forces fired shells at Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 0645 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired shells and directed bursts of fire at Jabal Safi and at the Sujud, Dabshah and Suwayda hills.

At 0930 hours elements of the minion Lahad's militia expelled Ghanim Naji (born 1957) and Assaf Muhammad Musa (born 1976) from the border strip to the liberated areas. They had been detained in Khiyam prison, the former since 1996 and the latter since 1997.

At 2045 hours mortar shells fired by the minion Lahad's militia fell in Wadi Bisri.

At 2215 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at areas along the Tasah Spring and at Jabal Safi, Jabal Sujud and Jabal al-Rafi'.

8 May 1998

At 0500 and 0515 hours an Israeli gunboat off Tyre fired bursts in various directions.

Between 0155 and 0705 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Sujud, Jabal al-Rafi' and Jabal Safi.

At 1045 hours occupation forces fired mortar shells that fell near the Zillaya intersection.

At 1130 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Mansuri and outlying areas of Majdal Zun and Mazra'at Buyut al-Siyad. The citizens Yasin Khashab, 70, his daughter Zahrah, 30, and Amir Muhammad, 11, received miscellaneous wounds.

At 1230 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal al-Rafi' and the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah from their positions in the occupied villages.

At 1740 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi, areas along the Tasah Spring and Mazra'at Umqata from their positions in the occupied villages.

At 1840 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at areas along the Tasah Spring and Jabal Sujud from their positions in the occupied villages.

At 2025 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at Wadi al-Habib from its position in Jazzin.

At 2030 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at the outskirts of Luwayzah and Mazra'at 'Imsha, at Jabal Safi, at areas along the Tasah Spring and at Jarju'. The bombardment cut the high-tension wires of the electricity grid.

At 2030 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired rockets at the Kafr Hunah - Marj Uyun road.

At 2145 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South and the Western Bekaa.

9 May 1998

At 0015 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired shells from its position in Zafatah that fell in areas along the Litani River.

At 0125 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia in Tallusah fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Majdal Silm.

Between 0015 and 0655 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at Jabal Safi, Jabal al-Rafi', Areas along the Tasah Spring, Wadi Bisri and areas along the Zahrani River from its positions at Tahran hill and Rum hill.

At 2250 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery and mortar shells at outlying areas of Majdal Silm from their positions at Bawwabat Mays.

10 May 1998

At 0345 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri fired bursts in various directions.

Between 0100 and 0745 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi and Jabal al-Rafi' from their positions in Zafatah and Fkarat al-Crush.

Between 0745 and 0900 hours occupation forces fired mortar shells at areas along the Tasah Spring, parts of Jabal Sujud and the environs of Qasr Chandur from their positions at Ksarat al-Urush and Dabshah hill.

At 0930 hours occupation forces at Tall Ya'qub fired artillery shells that fell in outlying areas of Yatar, Mansuri, Majdal Zun, Jibal al-Butm and Zibqin.

At 1045 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery and mortar shells at areas along the Tasah Spring, Jabal al-Safi', Jabal Sujud, Maqra'at Umqata, the Habbush bridge area and the town of Jbu'.

At 1120 hours Israeli warplanes and reconnaissance aircraft overflew coastal areas of the Shuf and the South.

At 1150 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells from their position at Tall Ya'qub that fell in outlying areas of Yatar.

Between 1200 and 1700 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery and mortar shells at areas along the Zahrani River and the vicinity of Sujud hill from their positions at Suwayd hill, Sujud hill and Ksarat al-Urush.

At 1615 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Zibqin and Jibal al-Butm from their positions at Tall Ya'qub.

Between 1945 and 2115 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired several shells directly at Jabal Sujud and areas along the Litani River from their positions on Sujud hill and Suwayd hill.

11 May 1998

Between 0000 and 0550 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia strafed the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah with medium-weapons fire from their positions at Qal'at al-Shaqif (Chateau de Beaufort), Dabshah, Ali al-Tahir and Suwayda.

At 0640 hours occupation forces fired shells from their position at Ksarat al-Urush that fell on Jabal Safi.

At 0935 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 0950 hours the minion Antoine Lahad met with officers of the militia's 20th Battalion in the Jazzin barracks.

At 1110 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at the eastern section of Kafr Tibnit, hitting inhabited dwellings.

At 1150 hours the minion Lahad's militia strafed the area around its position at the Zimriya crossing with medium-weapons fire.

At 1150 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 1230 and 1410 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

At 1540 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells that fell on Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 1650 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at outlying areas of Sawwanah from their positions at Hula.

At 1915 hours occupation forces fired shells at outlying areas of Majdal Silm, Sawwanah and Jumaymah from their position at Bawwabat Mays al-Jabal.

At 1930 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Yatar from their position at Tall Ya'qub.

At 2100 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells from its position at Zafatah that fell in outlying areas of Yuhmur, Shaqif and Zawtar al-Gharbiyah.

At 2100 hours an Israeli gunboat off Qulaylah fired several bursts.

At 2150 hours occupation forces at Qal'at al-Shaqif (Chateau de Beaufort) fired illumination flares over the surrounding area.

12 May 1998

At 0000 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

At 0110 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at areas along the Zahrani River.

Between 0200 and 0720 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells and directed bursts of fire at Jabal Safi and Jabal al-Rafi' from their position in Ksarat al-Urush.

At 0915 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

Between 0910 and 1230 hours Israeli warplanes and an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

Between 1140 and 1230 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells that fell on the Ghazlan pastures inside the occupied strip.

Between 1400 and 1655 hours Israeli warplanes and an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

At 1525 hours two mortar shells fired from the occupied strip fell in the area around Sujud hill.

At 2210 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the area to the east of Sidon.

At 2300 hours the minion Lahad's militia directed bursts of fire at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

13 May 1998

At 0115 hours Israeli warplanes carried out attacks on Dayr Ta'nayil. Some 9 persons were killed and 31 wounded.

At 0220 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the sea off Sidon.

At 0225 hours Israeli warplanes carried out mock attacks on the Na'imah hills.

At 0430 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri fired bursts in various directions.

At 0930 hours the Lahad militia directed bursts of fire at the area around Ali al-Tahir hill.

At 1745 hours occupation forces directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah.

At 2040 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Shukin, Mayfadun, Zawtar al-Sharqiyah and Mazra'at al-Hamra.

14 May 1998

At 0600 hours Israeli forces fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Mayfadun, Shukin and Qa'qa'iyat al-Jisr from Qal'at al-Shaqif (Chateau de Beaufort).

At 0930 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 1025 hours occupation forces directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah from Dabshah hill. One woman, Latifah Ghandur (born 1940), was injured.

At 1250 hours the minion Lahad's militia closed the Kafr Tibnit crossing point to vehicles and pedestrians seeking to move in either direction.

At 1945 hours the minion Lahad's militia strafed the area around its position at Suwayda hill with medium-weapons fire.

At 2040 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired illumination flares over Kafr Tibnit and the Qasr Ghandur vicinity from their positions at Suwayda and Dabshah.

At 2100 hours illumination flares were fired over the Zimriya crossing by occupation forces.

15 May 1998

At 1130 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired a number of rounds at the Zimriya crossing from its position on Zimriya hill.

At 1250 hours Israeli forces fired mortar shells from their position at Ksarat al-Urush that fell in the area around Sujud hill.

At 1500 hours occupation forces strafed the area around their position at Dabshah hill with automatic-weapons fire.

At 2000 hours occupation forces fired illumination flares over Khalawat al-Bayyadah and Abu Qamhah hill.

At 2005 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired a shell towards the Zahrani River from its position at Razlan hill.

At 2215 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired a mortar shell that fell in an outlying area of Majdal Silm.

At 2250 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired a shell towards the Zahrani River from its position at Razlan hill.

16 May 1998

At 0015 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at the area around Sujud hill from their position at Ksarat al-Urush.

At 0430 hours an Israeli gunboat off Qulaylah fired bursts in various directions.

At 0455 hours occupation forces fired mortar shells at Jabal Safi and the outskirts of Jba' from their position at Ksarat al-Urush.

At 0510 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at areas along the Zahrani River from its position at Suwayda hill.

At 1015 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah and the Mi'ayah Woodland from their positions at Dabshah hill and Rum hill.

Between 1250 and 1530 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi, Sujud, Marra'at Uqmata and Milita hill.

At 1930 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at the area around Tahrah hill from Dabshah hill and Rum hill.

At 2300 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired illumination flares over the Litani River.

17 May 1998

At 0705 hours occupation forces fired shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr from their position at Abu Qamhah.

At 1105 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South, the Western Bekaa and the Shuf.

At 1740 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi from Ksarat al-Urush and Dabshah.

At 2005 hours occupation forces strafed the area around their position at Shaqif with medium-weapons fire.

At 2100 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South and the Shuf.

At 2300 hours Israeli warplanes flew over the sea off Sarafand and overflew Wadi Bisri, the Zahrani, Jazzin, Jabal al-Rafi', Ayn al-Tinah and Bi'r al-Dahr.

18 May 1998

At 0000 hours occupation forces fired two guided missiles from their position at Tayyibah. They fell in Tulin and Qalwiyah.

Between 0015 and 0330 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Tibnin and Nabatiyah and Israeli warplanes overflew Nabatiyah.

Between 0800 and 1000 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Nabatiyah, Iqlim al-Tuffah and the area to the east of Sidon.

At 1300 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells from its position at Qusayr that fell in the surrounding area.

At 1655 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia strafed the area around their positions at Dabshah hill and Sujud hill.

At 1900 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South, the Western Bekaa and the Shuf.

19 May 1998

At 0030 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 0245 hours Israeli forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi and the outskirts of Jba' from Zafatah and Ksarat al-Urush.

Between 1055 and 1210 hours Israeli warplanes and an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

At 1730 hours occupation forces fired shells from their positions at Ksarat al-Urush and Qal'at al-Shaqif (Chateau de Beaufort) that fell on Jabal Sujud.

At 2100 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 2155 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired illumination flares over Sfariyah from its position at Rum hill.

At 2300 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Jun area.

At 2310 hours an air-to-surface missile was fired in an outlying area of Jun.

20 May 1998

At 0735 hours occupation forces fired at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr from Abu Qamhah.

At 1245 hours the Lahad militia fired shells directly at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr from Ayn Qinya.

Between 2100 and 2240 hours Israeli helicopters overflew Jabal Safi, Jabal al-Rafi' and the area around the occupying forces' position at Sujud hill.

21 May 1998

Between 0930 and 1130 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

Between 1245 and 1305 hours Israeli warplanes overflew Nabatiyah and Iqlim al-Tuffah.

At 1345 hours occupation forces fired mortar shells at the area around Sujud hill.

Between 1520 and 1650 hours occupation forces fired mortar shells that fell on Jabal al-Rafi' and the area around Sujud hill.

At 1530 hours the Lahad militia strafed the area around its position at Shihin with automatic-weapons fire.

Between 1700 and 1800 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Yatar from their position at Tall Ya'qub.

22 May 1998

At 0510 hours occupation forces fired 12 artillery shells from their position at Abu Qamhah that fell in the Iqlim al-Tuffah area.

At 0920 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South, the Bekaa and the Shuf.

At 1030 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Iqlim al-Tuffah and the area to the east of Sidon.

At 1015 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at Jabal al-Rafi', the area around Sujud hill and areas along the Zahrani River from Shuraynah and Kharat al-Urush.

At 1115 hours the Lahad militia fired mortar and artillery shells directly at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr, the area around Zillaya and Yuhmur from its position at Ahmadiyah hill.

At 1530 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at Jabal Sujud, areas along the Tasah Spring and Mazra'at Uqmata from Shurayfah and Ksarat al-Urush.

At 2110 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 2145 hours the minion Lahad's militia strafed the area around its position at the Hamra crossing and fired at Dallafah with medium weapons.

At 2115 hours Israeli forces fired nine artillery shells from their position at Tall Ya'qub that fell in outlying areas of Yatar, Mansuri and Majdal Zun.

At 2310 hours shells fired by the minion Lahad's militia fell in Wadi al-Qaysiyah at Majdal Silm.

23 May 1998

At 0230 hours occupation forces strafed the area around their position at Dabshah hill.

At 0230 hours an Israeli gunboat off Mansuri fired bursts of medium-weapons fire in various directions.

At 0600 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi, Jabal Sujud and Milita hill.

At 0730 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Mansuri, Majdal Zun and Mazra'at Buyut al-Siyad from their positions at Tall Ya'qub.

Between 1145 and 1510 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the South.

At 1800 hours the Lahad militia position at Zimriya hill was reinforced with two tanks.

At 1905 hours occupation forces fired 14 mortar shells at the outskirts of Zillaya.

At 1935 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired eight mortar shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr and Wadi Zilaya.

At 2000 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired a number of artillery shells at Mayfadun, Mlikh, Yatar, Habbush, areas along the Zahrani river, Jabal al-Rafi', Sujud hill and Bayyadah.

At 2050 hours two Israeli helicopters overflew Iqlim al-Tuffah.

At 2100 the Lahad militia strafed the area around Anan hill and Dahr al-Mashnaqah.

At 2100 hours Israeli warplanes overflew Sidon.

24 May 1998

At 0015 and 0525 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia intermittently fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Fatra, Yatar and Tiri.

Between 1015 and 1245 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Western Bekaa and the Shuf.

Between 1225 and 1245 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 1240 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the Western Bekaa.

At 1400 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at the Mays sector.

At 1540 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells that fell in outlying areas of Yatar.

At 1520 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

Between 1555 and 1750 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 1905 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells that fell in outlying areas of Yatar.

At 1920 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells from Fatr that fell in the vicinity of the Kafr Falus installations.

25 May 1998

Between 0035 and 0540 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Fatr Rumman.

At 0735 hours Israeli warplanes attacked areas along the Damur furling.

Between 0740 and 1130 hours Israeli warplanes intermittently overflew the South, the Shuf and the Western Bekaa.

Between 0905 and 0940 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at the area around Dahr al-Mashnaqah and the Mu'aytah woodland.

Between 1345 and 1420 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

Between 1340 and 1950 hours occupation forces fired shells that fell in areas along the Tasah Spring.

At 1945 hours occupation forces fired a number of shells that fell in outlying areas of Yatar, Mansuri and Majdal Zun.

At 2015 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

26 May 1998

Between 0005 and 0500 hours the Lahad militia strafed the area around its positions at Suwayda hill and Dahr.

At 0530 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at areas of Sujud, Safi and Wadi Bisri.

At 0925 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

At 1130 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Luwayzah, Sujud, Zarlan, Ali al-Tahir and Mlita and at areas along the Tasah Spring.

At 1345 hours the towns of Haddatha, Bra'shit, Kafra, Haris, Ayta al-Jabal, Tibnin and Yatar came under bombardment. Two citizens, Maryam Hasan Mansur, 49, and Muhammad Abd al-Rahman Suwaydan, 40, were wounded.

At 1245 hours an Israeli helicopter strafed Haddatha and Bra'shit. The town school was hit.

27 May 1998

At 0000 hours an Israeli gunboat off Qulaylah fired bursts in various directions.

Between 0105 and 0615 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at Tiri.

Between 0600 and 0815 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Iqlim al-Tuffah.

At 0900 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at outlying areas of Tiri and Haddatha.

At 1000 hours two Israeli helicopters overflew outlying areas of Bra'shit.

At 1345 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Yatar.

At 1435 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells that fell in outlying areas of Haddatha.

At 1745 hours an explosive charge was detonated in the Bard al-Ayn locality between Mayfadun and Mazra'at al-Hamra and Ahmad Ali Sata was badly injured.

At 1800 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Sidon and Kafr Falus.

At 2050 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the Tibnin area.

At 2100 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired shells at Wadi Bisri, Jabal Safi, Jabal al-Rafi', areas along the Tasah Spring and outlying areas of Qa'qa'iyat al-Jisr and Yatar.

28 May 1998

Between 0000 and 0745 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia intermittently fired artillery shells and directed bursts of fire at Jabal Sujud and Jabal Safi.

At 0230 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at outlying areas of Haddatha and Bra'shit.

At 0545 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew Nabatiyah.

At 0750 hours an Israeli reconnaissance aircraft overflew the area east of Sidon.

At 1945 hours the occupation forces fired artillery shells at the outskirts of Sujud and at Jabal Safi and areas along the Tasah Spring.

At 2100 hours an Israeli gunboat out at sea fired bursts in various directions.

Between 2155 and 2335 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Mlita hill, Jabal Safi and areas of Jabal Sujud.

29 May 1998

At 0000 hours the minion Lahad's militia strafed the area around its position at Rum hill with automatic-weapons fire.

Between 0830 and 0930 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi and areas along the Tasah Spring.

Between 1230 and 1350 hours Israeli warplanes overflew the South.

Between 1530 and 2050 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Wadi Habbush, Jabal Safi, the area around Sujud hill, Majdal Zun and the Mu'aytah woodland.

Between 1215 and 2000 hours an Israeli gunboat was seen patrolling offshore between Tyre and Sidon.

10 May 1998

Between 0100 and 0525 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells and directed bursts of fire at the abandoned Army barracks in Nabatiyah.

Between 0600 and 1040 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Umqata and areas along the Tasah Spring.

At 1405 and 2230 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Jabal Safi, Jabal Sujud and Jabal Bi'r al-Dahr.

At 2055 hours occupation forces and the minion Lahad's militia fired artillery shells at Tamiriyah, Sawwanah, Majdal Silm and Shaqra.

11 May 1998

At 1110 hours the minion Lahad's militia fired mortar shells at outlying areas of Rshaf.

At 1125 hours Israeli occupation forces directed bursts of fire at the Maslakh neighbourhood in Nabatiyah.

At 1605 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells at Ayn Qana.

At 1845 hours an Israeli gunboat was seen offshore between Tyre and Sidon.

At 1915 hours occupation forces fired mortar shells at areas along the Litani River from Armadiyah hill.

At 1930 hours occupation forces fired artillery shells towards Iqlim al-Tuffah from Abu Qamhah.

The Lebanese Government strongly condemns the continued Israeli occupation and the fresh attacks and arbitrary practices against the Lebanese population that have left a number of dead and wounded and caused further serious damage to property.

Like previous attacks, this new series is in flagrant violation of the sovereignty and independence of Lebanon and constitutes a breach of the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, of international law and of basic human rights.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda item 37, and of the Security Council.

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